

Message Text

SECRET

PAGE 01 MOSCOW 00973 221800Z

60

ACTION SS-25

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SSO-00 NSCE-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 INRE-00

AECE-00 /026 W

----- 126413

R 221536Z JAN 75

FM AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6470

S E C R E T MOSCOW 0973

EXDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PARM, UR

SUBJECT: MOROKHOV ON PNE'S

REF: MOSCOW 0387

1. SUMMARY. THOUGH AN OFFICIAL SOVIET REPLY TO OUR PROPOSAL TO BEGIN PNE TALKS ON FEBRUARY 10 IS STILL OUTSTANDING, MOROKHOV SAYS HE IS CONFIDENT THAT THE PROPOSAL WILL BE ACCEPTED. BOTH THE TENOR AND SUBSTANCE OF REMARKS BY MOROKHOV AND TIMERBAYEV INDICATE SOVIETS HOPE FOR A PNE AGREEMENT BY NO LATER THAN THE SUMMIT. END SUMMARY.

2. DURING MY CALL ON MOROKHOV ON ANOTHER ISSUE ON JANUARY 22, HE AND ROLAND TIMERBAYEV OF MFA DEVOTED A BRIEF PERIOD TO DISCUSSION OF PNE ISSUES.

3. MOROKHOV SAID THAT HE HAD HEARD NOTHING THAT WOULD CAUSE HIM "TO PRICK UP HIS EARS" FROM THE TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS NOW UNDERWAY IN VIENNA, AND CONCLUDED THAT THEY SEEMED TO BE PROGRESSING SATISFACTORILY.

4. I ASKED WHETHER THE SOVIET SIDE WAS YET READY TO OFFICIALLY REPLY TO OUR PROPOSAL THAT WE BEGIN THE TTB/PNE TALKS DURING THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 10. MOROKHOV REPLIED THAT HE WOULD PRESENT THE U.S. SUGGESTION TO THE PROPER

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 02 MOSCOW 00973 221800Z

AUTHORITIES IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS AND BY NEXT WEEK WOULD

HAVE A FINAL ANSWER FOR US. HE SAID, HOWEVER, THAT HE WAS CONFIDENT THAT THE PROPOSAL WOULD BE ACCEPTED. TIMERBAYEV NOTED THAT MFA HAS ALREADY APPROVED IT. MOROKHOV SAID THAT HE WOULD HAVE TO BE IN VIENNA FOR A SHORT PERIOD BEGINNING FEBRUARY 24, BUT THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS COULD CONTINUE WITHOUT HIM.

5. MOROKHOV ASKED WHETHER I WAS UNDER INSTRUCTIONS TO PRODUCE AN AGREEMENT BY THE SUMMIT. I INDICATED I HAD NO SUCH INSTRUCTIONS, ALTHOUGH AN AGREEMENT BY THAT TIME WOULD BE DESIRABLE. MOROKHOV COMMENTED WITH GOOD HUMORED SARCASM THAT IF WE DIDN'T COME TO AN AGREEMENT BY THEN WE WOULD HAVE TO MAKE SURE WE COMPLETED THE NEGOTIATIONS BY THE TIME THE TTB GOES INTO FORCE. IN A MORE SERIOUS VEIN, HE ADDED THAT IF WE CAN SHOW NO PROGRESS ON ARTICLE V ISSUES BY THE TIME OF THE NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE IN MAY, THE NNWS STATES "WOULD BE AT OUR THROATS." MOROKHOV AND TIMERBAYEV BOTH AGREE PROSPECTS FOR PROGRESS IN SALT-II LOOKED PROMISING, AND ARGUED THAT "WE IN MOSCOW (THAT IS, THE PNE NEGOTIATIONS) SHOULD NOT FALL BEHIND GENEVA."

6. TIMERBAYEV EXPRESSED INTEREST IN THE SIZE AND COMPOSITION OF OUR DELEGATION TO THE PNE TALKS. I BELIEVE THAT THE FEBRUARY 10 DATE IS SOLID ENOUGH FOR AT LEAST PLANNING PURPOSES, AND WOULD APPRECIATE THE DEPARTMENT LETTING US HAVE THIS BASIC INFORMATION ON THE MAKEUP OF THE DELEGATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO AID SOVIET PLANNING.

7. AT CONCLUSION OF OUR MEETING TIMERBAYEV TOLD THE EMBOFF ACCOMPANYING ME THAT THE TOMILIN ARTICLE IN THE NOVEMBER MEZHDUNARODNAYA ZHIZN (REFTEL) HAD BEEN WRITTEN NOT AS AN EXPOSITION OF ACTUAL SOVIET VIEWS BUT RATHER TO KEEP "THE OTHERS" (I.E., NNWS) FROM PUSHING TOO HARD ON NPT ARTICLE V.
STOESSEL

SECRET

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic DecapTIONing: Z
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: PEACEFUL NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS, NEGOTIATIONS, FOREIGN POLICY POSITION
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 22 JAN 1975
DecapTION Date: 28 MAY 2004
DecapTION Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: CunninFX
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975MOSCOW00973
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750024-0876
From: MOSCOW
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19750130/aaaabamm.tel
Line Count: 96
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION SS
Original Classification: SECRET
Original Handling Restrictions: EXDIS
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: SECRET
Previous Handling Restrictions: EXDIS
Reference: 75 MOSCOW 0387
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: CunninFX
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 02 APR 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <02 APR 2003 by MartinML>; APPROVED <15 SEP 2003 by CunninFX>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
05 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: MOROKHOV ON PNE'S
TAGS: PARM, UR, US
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006